

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

1. Claim Objections

The claim objections have been addressed by amending claim 10 to depend from claim 4 rather than claim 1, as suggested on page 2 of the Official Action.

2. Rejection of Claims 1-10 Under 35 USC §112, 2nd Paragraph

This rejection has been addressed by amending all of the claims to refer to a “structure for rapidly detaching or installing a CD-ROM drive” rather than a “CD-ROM drive” *per se*, thereby permitting the frame of the computer into which the CD-ROM drive is detached or installed to be positively claimed.

In addition, it is respectfully noted that claim 1 has been amended to more positively recite the relationship between the frame, the CD-ROM drive, and the latch in order to confusion as to which elements belong to the CD-ROM drive and which belong to the computer or frame. These relationships were originally recited in claim 2.

Having thus overcome each of the objections and rejections made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted, ,

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